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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT(S): Bateman et al. CONFIRMATION NO.: 4626  
SERIAL NO.: 10/777,609 GROUP NO.: 2881  
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TITLE: Ion Detector

Mail Stop Amendment  
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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT OF RESTRICTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on December 28, 2005, Applicants submit this Response.

Claims 1-103, of which claims 1 and 102 are independent, are pending in the application. The Office action requires election of a single one of the following identified species: Group I drawn to claims 1-101 and Group 2 drawn to Claims 102-103.

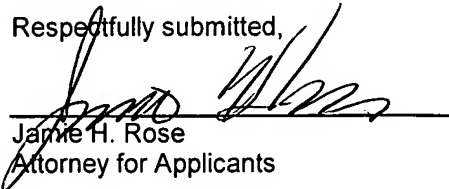
Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I drawn to Claims 1-101.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of all pending claims, with claims 1-101 proceeding to allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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